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Amendment

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Offered by:

REP. LAWLOR, 99th Dist.

To: House Bill No. 6012

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Cal. No. 79

**"AN ACT CONCERNING MURDER WITH SPECIAL
CIRCUMSTANCES."**

1 After the last section, add the following and renumber sections and
2 internal references accordingly:

3 "Sec. 501. Section 53a-46d of the general statutes is repealed and the
4 following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective from passage*):

5 [A] If a defendant is convicted of or pleads guilty to a capital felony,
6 a victim impact statement prepared with the assistance of a victim
7 advocate [to] shall be placed in the court files. [in accordance with
8 subdivision (2) of subsection (a) of section 54-220 may be read in court
9 prior to imposition of sentence upon a defendant found guilty of a
10 crime punishable by death.] At the conclusion of the presentation of
11 evidence and prior to closing arguments at a hearing conducted
12 pursuant to section 53a-46a, the court shall allow a representative of
13 each deceased victim a reasonable opportunity to make a victim
14 impact statement to the jury or, if there is no jury, to the court. Such
15 representative shall be an individual who is a "crime victim", as

16 defined in section 1-1k."